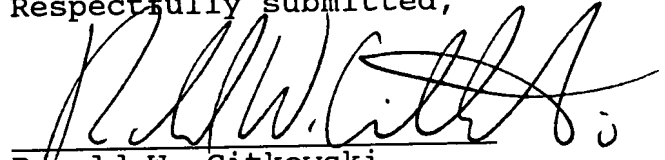


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primary claimed element, the alloy material of Group I claims. Any search to the alloy would uncover art relating to the particular device. Examination of claim 24 would not be unduly burdensome and Applicants respectfully request withdraw of the restriction requirement.

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